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In re the Application of: **HARAGUCHI, Manabu**

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For: **SOLID PREPARATION PACKAGING APPARATUS AND PACKAGING
PAPER ROLL FOR SOLID PREPARATION**

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED JANUARY 27, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 11, 2003

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated **January 27, 2003**.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-3, drawn to a packaging apparatus; and Group (II), Claims 4-7, drawn to a packaging paper roll.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (II), Claims 4-7 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please
charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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